BUSINESS SLOW NEWS GATHERED

Miss Eracey L. Hague

Last Night.

Given by the Various Sun-

day Schools.

by Rev. Mr. Hudson, of Asbury Church.

man. Miss Hague is a young lady of

is an esteemed employe of The P.

Who Struck Eubank?

Mystery still shrouds the attack upon Walter Eubank, who was struck in the face a mighty blow, as he was about to onter his hall door Monday night, a few moments before his flat caught fire from an overturned oil stove.

The police are using every endeavor to locate and land the man who struck the struck of t

locate and land the man who struck Eubank, and citizens generally are so interested in the affair that the question of the day is: "Who struck Walter Eu-bank?"

Up to a late hour last night no one had answered the question. In the mean-time, Dubank's marks of having, been roughly handled are still visible.

Funeral of Mr. Jones.

The funeral of Mr. P. W., Jones took place from the residence, on Twelfth and Decatur Streets, Mr. Jones died at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon. He is survived by three daughters—Mrs. G. S. Grizzard, Mrs. T. J. Saunders, of Swansboro, and Mrs. Bennett, of Petersburg.

Personals and Briefs.

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Mayor Maurice yesterday ined Wilfred Finney and George Plerce, colored, \$5 each for fighting on Christmas.

Mr. B. M. White, of Bon Air, and Miss Ruth Bumgardner' were married in Chesterfield enthrty gesterday afternoon. They left on a Southern trip.

Mr. W.-O. Dent and Miss Grace Hague were married at Oak Grove last night, at the home of the bride.

A dividend of 4 per cent, has been declared by the Bank of Manchester.

Officers were installed by the Manchester looking of Masons last pight.

The Buildings and Lands Committee will meet to-morrow night.

Aft, and Mrs. A. C. Griffin are visiting relatives in South Boston.

Clopton Street Sunday school held a Christmas celebration last night. The entertainment was thoroughly enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Morris and children are visiting relatives in South Boston.

Stockton Street Sunday school will have a Christmas tree at Leader Hall to-morrow night.

BUILDING UNSAFE.

Women Patients Moved From

Brauer Building.

row night

Manchester Bureau, Times-Dispatch,

Two Entrances to Miller & Rhoads' Broad St., Sixth St.

THE WEATHER-Wednesday

Clearance Sale of Holiday

and Winter Merchandise.

Every department in the house contributes to this Clearance Sale.

We can only get a few of the reductions before you in this morning's paper, as copy had to be in the hands early yesterday afternoon

This morning, however, you'll find the merchandise ready for you from basement to

The mark-downs quoted below are samples of how we've cut prices.

Silver Novelties Much Reduced in Price.

lat Brushes were \$2.75, now \$1.98

eatherette Clocks were \$1.00, now

Reduced Prices for Novelties in the Art Department.

Hand Painted Picture Frames were 35c. 50c. 75c, and \$1.00, now

and Painted Picture Frames were file. 50c. 75c, and \$1.00, now 25c each. ove. Handkerchief and Work Boxes of fine Satin wood, hand painted, were \$1.25 each, now 75c each. tin Covered, hand painted, Handkerchief Boxes, were \$1.25, now 75c each.

Handkerchief Boxes, were \$1.29, now 750 each.

Painted and Stained Novelties in oddly-shaped Wood, such as Ash Receivers, ink Wells, &c., were 39c to 75c each, now 25c

Fine Neckwear at Great Reductions.

Real Lace Stocks, were \$1.50 each now \$1.00.

Spangled Lace Stocks, were \$1,08 and \$2,50, now \$1,50. French Embroidered Stocks, were \$1,50 and \$1,60, now \$1,00.

THE DAY AFTER FROM SOUTHSIDE Company Employes Work-

Only the Postoffice and Express ing Yesterday.

A GREAT MAIL CONGESTION LOOKING

The Postoffice Inundated With Christmas Packages-Business Generally Dull.

Twas the day after Christmas, And all through the town Wore headaches galore, While tastes were dark brow

The world, or that portion of it em-braced within the limits of Richmond, awakened slowly and with many prolimiary ynwns yesterday, after the strenuous festival. Dull gray skies and a weary, dreary looking world made the task of taking up the daily round less easy than and carried white carnations. Miss Bella Christmas celebrants will remember De- R. Hague, brother of the bride, as best cember 26th as the longest, bluest day the calendar. Slowly the earth began to revolve again, lagging steps to quicken, ite among her many friends. Mr. Dent recover the old husyancy of last week. Mayo Tobacco Company, of Richmond, and has many friends who wish him and has many friends who wish him and his bride many years of happiness.

Diverywhere save in the postoffice, the express offices and the rullway freight tepartments, yesterday was a dull day, in many public offices and in not a few justines houses many proprietors and imployes are still enjoying a respite from work. The school children are still celevating and will not begin to wear long access until about next Monday, their slices until about next day they must eturn to school.

the Monday, for the way, the total control of school. In the State Library and Capitol offices, esterday, in the Federal building, save the postoffice; in the City Itali, the banks and many business houses, the business transacted was largely norminal, and in many cases the presence of employes was a mere formality, there being so little to

Living Strenuously Yet.

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The employes of the postoffice department, officials, elerks, carriers and messengers had another strenuous day yesterday, and a total of ave or six during the past week. Postmister Knight admitted yesterday that the Christmas mail business for exceeded any previous record, and that it even went beyond his anticipation to such an extent that some delay in the delivery of the great mass of parcels and packages was unavoidable. Itad he been able to foresee the unprecedented volume of mail matter he would have made an even greater increase in the supplementary force of clerks and carriers than wis made. Clorks and carribrs have been averaging from twelve to sixteen hours per day for five or six days, and generally the number was nearer sixteen. Sinday and Monday, when all the rost of the population were worshipping in the churches or celebrating in the streets, the homes, the clubs and elsewhere, the positifice employes were too busy to look up, and kept at it all day and until the last pop-cracker was silenced. With all this stremous work by an augmented force, the parcels steadby an augmented force, the parcels stead ily accumulated, and yesterday afternoo at 5 o'clock Postmaster Knight conducte t Times-Dispatch employe through the busy building and pointed out the mass o Christmas mail. The every available nook the packages are piled up, thousands of them, destined for delivery in this city, while in bago and boxes and in piles are as many more packages destined for othe

Hope Yet Remains.

Brauer Building.

It was ascertained Sunday that the walls of the Brauer building at the Eastern State Hospital, in Williamsburg, occupied by one hundred female patients, were giving away.

Superintendent Foster at once had the patients moved to other buildings. A Richmond engineer, who examined the walls, yesterday, found they had slipped considerably and were still spreading. The building will likely have to be pulled down and rebuilt.

The Brauer building was constructed in 1870 by a Northern contractor, and the construction was so inferior that several members of the board voted ugainst its reception, but it is said were overruled by, several Northern members of the There is yet hope for hundreds of your package that has, not yet arrived, for the realization of hopes deferred may yet be among the stock of precious commod-ities done up in the small parcels now re-posing in the postoffice. The same con-dition that characterized the general mill

that the inadequacy of the prese ters for the registry and more divisions has been so strikingly

practicable. His plan for securing the needed room is to transfer the money order department to the room adjoining and now occupied by the Messus. Williams, leaving the registry department in its present quarters. No date has been set for the extension, but it will be made as soon as practicable.

At the rallway passenger offices yesterday there was "nothing doing," as the slang phrase goes. The reduced rate tickets are not on sale, and the bulk of the travel is on return coupons, which require no sale. Hundreds and even thousands of Richmond people went away for the day, and these are coming in singly, in pairs and in bunches. All whose heliday will permit are still away, lowever. Many of the rallway officials are back in their places and are busy at their dosks, setting their subordinates a commendable example. CITY'S POPULATION

FAMILY REUNION.

Spend Christmas Together.

If the territory looked upon favorably

by the sub-committee on ordinances, at their meeting last night, be annexed to their meeting last night, be annexed to the city, the population of Richmond will be increased by about 10,000 people.

The proposition of fixing upon the line was left to the sub-committee. That committee got togother last night and miked the matter over in an informal way. They examined various maps of the city and surrounding territory, and practically agreed upon a line, which, if accepted by the general committee, will embrace the thickly populated section of the county adjoining the southwestern section of the city, west of Lombardy Street and south of Cary and Floyd Avenue, and also the thriving little suburb of Fairmount, bringing with them at least 10,600 people. Supt. Fussell, Sons and Families A most enjoyable day was spent at the home of Superintendent J. K. Puszell, in lower Henrico, when the children and grandchildren gathered in a family re-

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nue, and also the thriving little suburn of Pairmount, bringing with them at least 10,000 people.

The residents of the sections mentioned have expressed Vieir wish to be annexed, but in order to avoid any complications, the Amb-committee has asked the Henrico County Board of Supervisors to meet and confer with them on the subject in the City Hall, Room 11, on Friday at noon.

The committee determined upon nothing last night, but the territory embraced in the line upon which they will probably fix their recommendation, extends to a line 150 yards west of the road leading to the old pump-house, south from Cary Street to the river; across Cary street to a point about 150 yards west of the old exposition grounds; along the north line, taking in Fairmount and extending east from the head of Seventeenth Street to Oakwood.

Those on the sub-committee are Messrs. Beck, Cannon, and Lynch.



AN IMPORTANT LETTER.

THE LAST RESORT.

I am pleased to add my testimony in behalf of Dr. Pierces Favorite Prescription. I cannot find language to express my gratitude and joy over the fact that I am well once more. wearing my corsets too tight seemed to have brought on an extra abdominal pressure, weak. ening the ligaments and pushing internal organs down What to do I knew not as no medianes I took sumed to help me.

I had heard of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription and determined to try it, as a last resort. Before the first bottle was used I began to feel better, but could hardly believe that this was permanent, but my improvement went steadily on, and within four months I was like a new woman. Now I have no more pains, and well and strong, and am extremely grateful to you,

Yours very truly,

MISS EARLINE AGARD,

Miss EARLINE AGARD, Chaplain, Patriotic Daughters of America.

4131/2 Michigan Avenue, LANSING, Mich.

A DUTY WOMEN OWE THEMSELVES

"Good actions speak louder than words," so too, does the testimony of many thousands of women during a third of a century speak louder than mere claims not backed by a guarantee of some kind. That is the reason why the proprietors of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription are willing to offer \$500 reward for women who cannot be cured. Such a remarkable offer is founded on the long record of cures of the diseases and weaknesses peculiar to women. If there is an invalid woman suffering from female weakness, prolapsus, or falling of womb, or from leucorrhea who has used Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription without complete success, the original proprietors and makers of that world-famed medicine would like to hear from such person—and it will be to her advantage to write them as they offer, in perfect good faith, a reward of \$500 for any case of the above maladies which they cannot cure. No other medicine for woman's ills is possessed of the unparalleled curative properties that would warrant its makers in making such as an offer.

\$1,000 REWARD . Guarantee that DR. PIERCE'S FAVORITE PRESCRIPTION

contains no alcohol, opium, or any barmful drug. Any one publishing faise statements concerning its ingredients will be prosecuted. This medicine is convounded of

medicinal principles, scientifically extracted from indigenous roots that cure the diseases for which it is recommended. It has enjoyed the public confidence for over a third of a century.

CHIEF OF POLICE SHOT

FOREMAN BURNED TO Southwest Section and Fair-DEATH; FIVE MEN HURT

Disastrous Explosion in Carnegie Steel Company's Plant in Pennsylvania.

(by Associated Press.)

PITTSBUIRG, PA., Dec. 27.—John Guy, foreman or bricklayers, was burned to death and five others were seriously injured in an explosion to-day in furnace. The orthe Edgar Thompson blant of the Carnegie Steel Company at Braddock, Of the indired, who were all foreigners, Michael Passiste will die.

The furnace and been blown out for repairs and the men were at work repairing it when gas which had accumulated ignited from the heat, causing the explosion. At the same time the flash set fire to the treate and the watchman's shanty adjoining the furnace, but the flames were quickly extinguished. The damage to the furnace will be heavy.

Who Are His Heirs?

City Buys New Roller. At the meeting of the subcommittee on streets it was decided to purchase a new steam roller for the city, to cost \$3.25. The and the old roller valued at \$5.3. The successful bidder was the Kelly Spring. Water at 8 o'clock, and the Board of field Roller Company, of Springfield, O. Public Interests at 5 in the afternoon.

BY DRUNKEN GEORGIANS As He Fell Officer Sent Ball

Who Are His Heirs?

The Times-Dispatch has received a communication from M. A. Farmer, of Kansas Chy. Mo., asking for information concerning the heirs of individe. Parmer, who is supposed to have settled about 1807 either in Lunenburg or Chipeper county. Va.

Ludwick Farmer was a son of lady Farmer, who was conjucted with the Royal Famés of Finhand, and abrother of John Furmer, who was drawned about 1807 in the Ohio, river by his negro body guard.

Through One of His Assailants.

(By Associated Fires).
ATHENS, (IA., Doc. 47.—him effort to arrest Jess Wofford, Charles Holland, Fred Westmoreland and a young man Fred Westmoveland and a young man mamed Patterson, at Oakwood late last night, Bob Puckett, chief, of police of that town, was shot through the bowels. As he fell he ghot Wofford through the stomach. The latter dod this afternoon while Puckett is in a dangerous condition. The men were drinking, and when Puckett emleavored to qubet them, a light followed, with the above rosults. Patterson, Halland sind Westmoveland were ledged in Juli at thinestite to-day. The town, Six miles south of Gainosville, is greatly wrought up over the trugedy.

SUBMARINE SHIPPED.

Three Already Sent to Russia and Others to Follow.

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(Special to The Times Dispatch)

NEWPORT NEWS WA. Dec. 27.—One of the Lake submorine torpedo-boats, under construction at the Tupy relative to hight inventor lake tensists of the trips relative to hight inventor lake tenses to make a statement but it is reloved that preparations are being made to put the local abourd some foreign-going ship.

Three lake boils have already gone to Russia, and it is understood that two more are to be sent to that country.

Allitary Brushes were \$2.50 pair,

Hat Brushes were \$2.25, now \$1.50. Smoking Jars were \$2,50, now \$1,48

Soap Stands were \$1.60, now 750 Champagne Cups were 50c, now 15c

Miller ARhvads

THE ANNUAL DINNERS TO THE CITY'S POOR

Rev. Messrs. Wiley and Buchanan Will Feed Hundreds To-day.

Mr. Branch Speaks. Mr. Branch Speaks.

Mr. Wiley, the great provider of Christmas cheer for all comers, to day is sadly in need or turkeys. Enough and to spare of all other good things are in his storeroem, but he fears that the turkey and apples now on hand will not satisfy the appetites of the six or seven hundred hungry guests that will assemble at 1 o'clock to-day.

Just as the bell at Old Market strikes 1, the Rev. J. Sydney Peters, pastor of Trinty Church, will ask a short blessing, and then the great dinner will begin. All the old and crippled people who cannot walk are inglied by Mr. Wiley to telephone him carly, in the morning so that he can ofther send them car tickets or a carriage.

carriage. The guests will assemble in the chapel, from which place they will be ushered into the dining hall, one hundred at a time, until all have been fed. It is hoped that all the guests will be on hand before 1 o'clock, so that every one may have the privilege of hearing Mr. John P. Branchi's address.

At the fall on yesterday Mr. and Mrs. Buchanan gave a lunch to fifty white male inmates. Sandwiches, coffee, oranges, apples, ples and cakes were provided in abundance. Mr. Buchanan spoke briefly to the men, and Mrs. Buchanan, at the special request of the men, sang in a fouching manner: "Where is My Wandering Boy To-night?"

Mr. Buchanan will hold his big Christinas dinner at 20 clock to-day. Contributions poured in all day on yesterday, and there is no doubt but that the guests at the Neighborhood House will fare sumptuously. A committee of ladies from various Baptist churches will assist Mr. and Mrs. Buchanan in preparing and serving the dinner.

PUT 'EM ALL IN JAIL.

Justice John Determined to Stop Negroes Carrying Pistols.

Jimmle Rogers again dropped in the Police Court yesterday. Jimmle had been released on Saturday, only to get drunk again Sunday, and then again yesterday. "What shall I do to you, Jamle?" sate What you like. It's all the same to

me," said the man.
Six months was the sentence and J
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Rogers wearly wandered towards the pen.

M. M. Clarke and O. V. Pond were charged with fighting on the streets. Clarke had an eye that looked like a very over-ripe tomato.

Serious charges were made by Pond and the case was continued until the flast.

The following collection of dranks came up and contributed to the funds:

Sam Ranb, a negrey James Shope and George Shope, hrothers: Eliza havis a colored offender; Walter Relly, white; Luther Giyens, black; Josephine Lewis, dark; Mary Oakley, a negro woman of the Plink Alley stripe; and Charley Hundley and Leah Johnson, both very facry looking colored women.

ley and Leah Johnson, both very facry looking colored women.

A. T. Francis was fined \$100 for carrying concealed weapons; John Winston, a negro, also was fined \$100 for the sarro cause; Ansile Johnson, a negro buck, was assessed \$100 for carrying a razor.

"I'll break up this pistol and razor buckness if I have to put every nigger in Richmond in Jall," said His Honor.

Virginia Historical Society. One of the leading and historical features of Richmond at thi aveason of the year is usually the annual meeting of the Virginia Historical

Secrety, and an address before it by some distinguished speaker. This meeting has almost always been held in the hail of the hill of the incidence of Delegates. Probably the society will never be able again, to assemble in that most listeric groun, for when the Capital is restored. It is hoped that the hall will be used as a

ARE DOING NICELY.

Injured Men Recovering-Accident Not Likely to be Fatal.

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The three brothers, Charles. Thomas and William Fergusson, who met with a severe accident on Monday morning, while loading a toy cannon, which exploidel, were reported yesterday as doing nicely.

Dr. Reams, attendant physician, visited the men yesterday and found them resting controlably. Although Charles Fergusson was suffering considerably, the doctor considerably his condition favorable, and that there was every hope for his recovery.

DELINQUENT LANDS. Auction to be Held at County

Courthouse Next Monday. reasurer W. J. Todd has given notice tha delinquent lands in the county of Hen be will be sold at public auction on Monda, it. The sale will occur on the steps of the

Gave College Yell. A pleasing feature of the porformance at the Bljon Theatre yesterday atternoon was introduced by Mr. Bobby Jiarrington. In honor of a party of students of Hollins Institute, guests of Miss Margaret McKee, who occupied box 5, their college yell was given. There were many people in the house who recognized the yell, and Mr. Harrington got a "good hand."

The party in the box embraced about a dozen students of Hollins, who are home for the holldays.

A Surprise Wedding.

Mr. Walter E. Morgan, of Burfalo, N. Y., and Miss Lucy V. McCullough, of Pinesville, N. C., were quietly married at the residence of Rev. W. R. L. Smith, paster of the Second Baptist Church, Monday, December 19th, at 2 P. M. They will be at home to their friends at their residence, No. 202 South Belvidere Exct, after January 1st.

Market Unsettled. The local produce market is very much un-settled since the Christmas business has been concluded and priess are off A prominent commission merchant stated yesterday that never before had he seen the recipts on the Richmond market so large as they were this year.
The market will not resume its normal condition for a week or so,

Boys Go to the Grand Jury Robert Morton and Willie Jones, colored boys, who were arrested on the 21st of De-ember, in Henrico county, charged with stealing a larse amount of copper wire from the Virginia Passenger and Power Company, were given a hearing before Squire J. Lewis yesterday and sent on to the grand tory.

Minister Purchases Home.

A deed has been recorded in the Chan-cery Court conveying property at the cor-ner of Grace and Laurel Streets. from Samuel P. Royall and his wife to the Rev. J. J. Gravatt, rector of Holy Trin-ity Episcopal Church.

Mr. Sandford Here.

Mr. S. L. Sandford, of Ben Avon, Pa., was in the city yesterday, a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Charles I, McKee, In a box party at the Hjou Theatre. Mr. Sandford is stopping as Murphy's. Committee on Streets.

The Council Committee on Streets is scheduled to meet in regular session at \$ o'clock to-night.

"LAXO cures any case of constipation." | years.

SURELY MELODRAMATIC

Stationery

and Calendars

25c Paper-some with initials, some

39c and 50c paper, now 25c box.

\$1.00 to \$1.80 paper, now 50c box

Brundage, Fisher and Christy

Every other Calendar in stock will

be sold at one-third less than

embossed with "Richmond Virginia," now 15c box.

at Clearance

Sale Prices

Pistol Play Was Distinguishing Feature of Last Night's

Show. "The Flaming Arrow," shot into existence by Lincoln J. Carter, king of Amer can melodrama in years agone, flamed

blg crowd watched it. The play introduces Indians, "greasers" and Uncle Sam's frontier soldiers, with couple of lassies thrown in for variety. The action is rapid, the stage settings

and action is rapid, the stage settings realistic, and the display of firearms conspicuous enough to suit the most onthusiastic lover of pistol play.

As long as the romance of the plains exists, so long will meedramas such as this survive in one form or another, "The Flaming Arrow" is as good as some of them.

Miss Elizabeth Kennedy, who will be seen at the Academy this afternoon and to-night in Sudermann's great drama "Magda," believes that a star should always be surrounded by a strong, supporting company in order that a well rounded performance may be given. In pursuance of this idea, she has this season engaged the strongest company that she has ever had in her support. Charles W. King, who is to play the role of Colonel Schwitze, is one of the bost known and most capable character actors in this country. Edward R. Mawson has starred in "The Sorrows of Sitan," "The Pride of Jennico" and other plays of importance, Pranels Gallard has been with Aichard Mansfield and has for years been a great favorite through the South. Isabel Egremont came to this country with Charles Hawtrey and made great hit in his last production. Helen Holland, Anna Morrison, Piorence Lytelle, Maria Gallard, Henry Marshall and Charles Morton complete the roster of this company.

"Running for Office,"

"Running for Office." Twice yesterday was the opening of the Blou on Monday duplicated. The builds was packed to its capacity, for the requirement that no one shall be sold a ticket which does not warrant a seat in the playhouse is being enforced to the letter.

"Running for Office," one of those dealightful and bright mustant absention.

lightful and bright musical absurdities, made famous by the four Cohans, was the play, and the applause and laughter were almost continuous.

A Russian Wounded.

C. Celneasky, was the only Russian wounded in the neighborhod of Richmone wounded in the neighborhod of Richmond on yesterday. No deadly Jap builted laid-him low, but a savage Clay Street cur. No. 210, did the business. It was on Main Street near Piftcenth, at 8 o'clock in the evening, that the encounter took place, just in front of the City Drug Store.

Store.

Mr. Ceincusky was conveyed within the drug store and cared for until Dr. Upshur arrived, when he was taken to his home near Seventeenth and Main Streets.

J. H. Daniel was the conductor of the car while Miller was motorman. The Russian was slightly wounded in the thigh, no bones having been broken. Mr. Zimmermann Will Retire.

Mr. William H. Zimmermann, member of the Board of Aldermen and hotel and cafe proprietor, has announced that he will retire from business on the 15th of March, 1905. care proprietor, has announced that he will retire from husiness on the 15th of March, 1905.

Mr. Zimmermann has been engaged in the hotel business for more than thirty years.

After spending a pleasant day together they bid each other good-night, with a merry Christmas and happy New Year io all, while "Peace on earth, good will years."

grandchildren gathered in a family reunion.

"Not one familiar face.

Was missed from its accustomed place."

The family of Superintendent Fussell is
a very remarkable one. Mr. and Mrs.
Fussell have reared seven children, and
now have twelve grandchildren. There
has never been a death in their own immediate family.

At 3:30 P. M. a sumptuous dinner was
served, and afterwards confectioneries
and Christmas goodles in abundance, Last
of all came the Christmas free, loaded
with presents, the delight of the little
folks, Each grandchild and child was
the recipient of several beautiful and
handsome presents.

Those present were Superintendent and
Mrs. J. K. Fussell, Mr. Walter Fussell
and family Mr. Holmes Fussell and familly, Messes, Fuller and Standley Fussell,
Medannes G. M. Clark and family, W. E.
Johnson and family, B. W. Jones and
family, of Richmond, Miss Lucil Brookmg, Mr. Vivlan Brooking and Mrs. Lucy
Garthright, mother of Mrs. Fussell, who
stood at the head of the four generations.

After spending a pleasant day together

FEWER GALLONS: WEARS LONGER. Fewer gallons: takes less of Devou Lead and Zinc than nilved paints. Wears longer; twice as long as lead and oil